PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of

Jean-Luc TAUREL et al.

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LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION CENTER R3700 OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired <u>January 17, 2004</u>, an extension of time for a period of <u>one</u> month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. <u>151097</u> in the amount of \$110.00 in payment for:

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